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FCC ENFORCEMENT BUREAU ADDS VETERAN ANTITRUST PROSECUTOR TO ITS LEADERSHIP TEAM

Paula L. Blizzard, Former Justice Department Antitrust Attorney Joins the Enforcement Bureau as Deputy Bureau Chief

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission's Enforcement Bureau announced that Paula L. Blizzard has been named Deputy Bureau Chief. Ms. Blizzard was previously a partner with San Francisco-based litigation boutique Keker & Van Nest LLP and also served as a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.

"Paula Blizzard brings tremendous experience leading and managing complex high-profile cases," said Travis LeBlanc, Acting Chief of the Enforcement Bureau. "Her prosecutorial experience will enhance our competition work and strengthen our efforts to protect consumers from unfair, unjust, unreasonable, and deceptive acts and practices."

Ms. Blizzard was previously a partner at Keker & Van Nest LLP, where her practice focused on complex business litigation, including antitrust and patent cases, and government antitrust investigations. Before joining Keker & Van Nest in 2004, Ms. Blizzard served as a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division in San Francisco, and also as special counsel for Microsoft Consent Decree Enforcement, where she reported directly to the United States Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust in Washington, D.C. She worked extensively on *United States v. Microsoft* and was on the *United States v. Oracle* trial team.

Ms. Blizzard is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law, and has undergraduate degrees in physics and literature from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating from law school, Ms. Blizzard served as a law clerk to the Honorable D. Lowell Jensen of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Ms. Blizzard spent eight years in the aerospace sector, working on NASA communications systems.

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